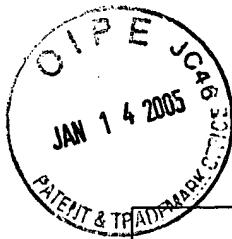


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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner Kam:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 13, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully submit this Response and Amendment. Please amend the claims of the subject application as indicated herein.